

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

**Christof KELLER** 

Application No.: 10/609,372

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For: DEVICE FOR TRANSPORTING A

HORIZONTAL STACK POSITIONED ON

A SUPPORT AND FORMED IN A GATHERING MACHINE WITH UPRIGHT, LINED-UP SIGNATURES

Art Unit: 3652

Examiner: Janice Lee KRIZEK

Atty. Docket No.: 40424-189157

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## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed March 3, 2006, Applicant submits the following Amendment and Reply. It is believed that a three-month extension of time and a fee in the amount of \$1,020.00 are required for the submission of this Amendment. If any additional fees are necessary, please charge them, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 22-0261. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of the Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no person are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. Complete if Known Effective on 12/08/2004. Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818). **Application Number** 10/609,372 FEE TRANSMITTAL Juy 1, 2003 Filing Date First Named Inventor **Christof KELLER** For FY 2006 **Examiner Name** Janice Lee Krizek Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27 Art Unit 40424-289457 189157 TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT 1,520.00 (\$) Attorney Docket No. METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply) Other (please Check Credit Card Money Order None X Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 22-0261 Deposit Account Name: Venable LLP For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply) X Charge fee(s) indicated below Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayment of Credit any overpayments fee(s) under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 FEE CALCULATION (All the fees below are due upon filing or may be subject to a surcharge.) 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES **FILING FEES** SEARCH FEES **EXAMINATION FEES Small Entity Small Entity Small Entity Application Type** Fee (\$) Fee (\$) Fee (\$) Fees Paid (\$) Fee (\$) Fee (\$) Fee (\$) Utility 300 500 250 200 150 100 200 Design 100 100 50 130 65 200 Plant 100 300 150 160 80 Reissue 300 150 500 250 600 300 Provisional 200 100 0 0 0 0 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES **Small Entity** Fee (\$) Fee (\$) Fee Description Each claim over 20 (including Reissues) 50 25 Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues) 200 100 Multiple dependent claims 360 180 Fee Paid (\$) **Total Claims Multiple Dependent Claims** Extra Claims Fee (\$) - 20 = Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$) HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20. Extra Claims Fee Paid (\$) Indep. Claims HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 3. 3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s). Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof Fee Paid (\$) **Total Sheets Extra Sheets** Fee (\$) - 100 = (round up to a whole number) x 4. OTHER FEE(S) Fees Paid (\$) Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount) Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): \$ 500.00 Notice of Appeal Fee Petition for (3-Month) Extension of Time \$1,020.00

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